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A RESOLUTION

BY: COUNCILMEMBER

A RESOLUTON BY THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL TO INCLUDE IN THE 2004 CITY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A REQUEST TO THE FULTON COUNTY DELEGATION TO THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INCLUDE LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ATLANTA TO ACCESS AND UTILIZE **APPROXIMATELY** \$20,000,000 PAID THE TO **ENVIRONMENTAL** PROTECTION DIVISION SINCE 1990 FOR VIOLATIONS OF STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION LAWS.

WHEREAS, the City is in the midst of upgrading its water and sewer infrastructure to meet Consent Decree and other infrastructure construction requirements; and

WHEREAS, since 1990, the City has paid approximately \$20,000,000 in fines to the State for violations of State environmental protection laws; and

WHEREAS, upgrades to the City water and sewer infrastructure will cost several \$Billion; and

WHEREAS, the monies paid to the State for these fines should be used to ameliorate the problems that caused the fines in the beginning.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the city legislative package include a request to the Fulton County Delegation to the Georgia General Assembly to include legislation authorizing the City of Atlanta to access and utilize approximately \$20,000,000 paid to the environmental protection division since 1990 for violations to State environmental protection laws.

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